



DETROIT BOARD OF POLICE COMMISSIONERS

Minutes of the Regular Detroit Board of Police Commissioners Meeting Friday, May 30, 2008

The meeting of the Detroit Board of Police Commissioners was held on Friday, May 30, 2008, at 3:00 p.m., at Police Headquarters, 1300 Beaubien, Detroit, Michigan 48226.

ATTENDANCE

Board Members Present

Erminia Ramirez
Jim Holley **(ABS)**
Mohamed Okdie
Willie Hampton
Ronald L. Griffin

Department Personnel Present

Chief Ella M. Bully-Cummings
AC Ralph Godbee
AC Robert Dunlap
3rd DC Paula Lytle
Lt. Robin Kirkwood-Farrar
Lt. Charles Wilson
Sgt. Dwight Snodgrass
Sgt. Stephanie Shackelford
PO Viera Brownlee

Board Staff Present

Dante' L. Goss, Executive Director
Denise R. Hooks, Attorney/Supervising Inv. **(ABS)**
Lawana Ducker, Personnel Director
Arnold Sheard, Chief Investigator
Leslie J. Griffin, Community Affairs Coordinator
P.O. Kent Cooper

OTHERS PRESENT

Edward Moore
Celia Banks Washington

RECORDERS

Terence Bell
Robert Brown

1. CALL TO ORDER

Chairperson Ramirez called the meeting of the Detroit Board of Police Commissioners to order at 3:10 p.m.

2. APPROVAL OF AGENDA

- **Thursday, May 30, 2008**

MOTION: **Comm. Okdie** made the motion to approve the Agenda.

SECOND: **Comm. Griffin** seconded the motion.

VOTE: All in attendance voted in the affirmative.

3. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

- **Thursday, May 22, 2008**

MOTION: **Comm. Okdie** made the motion to approve the Minutes.

SECOND: **Comm. Griffin** seconded the motion.

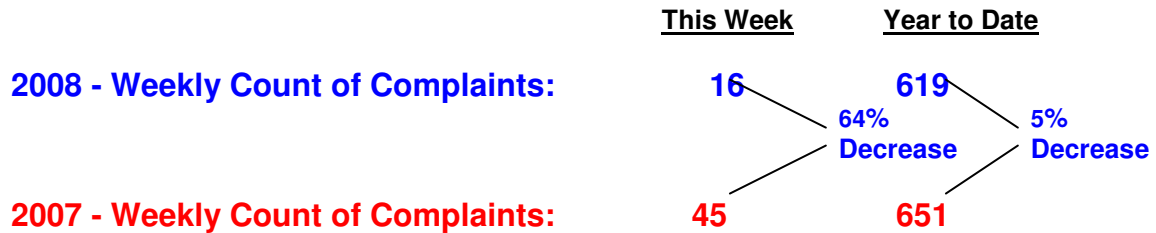
VOTE: All in attendance voted in the affirmative.

4. BOPC OFFICER'S REPORT

1. CHAIRPERSON

2. SECRETARY REPORT

CITIZEN COMPLAINTS RECEIVED



- The Office of the Chief Investigator has a total of 1,168 active investigations, of which 516 of those are for 2008.


TOTAL WEEKLY ALLEGATIONS & COMMAND

Total	COMMAND	ALLEGATIONS									Total
CCR	W/E 05/29/08	Arrest	Demeanor	Force	Harassment	Entry	Procedure	Property	Search	Service	Allegations
3	COMMUNICATION		2							2	4
4	NORTHWESTERN		2		1		1			1	5
3	SOUTHWESTERN		1	1			1		1	1	5
1	TCRU		1								1
3	Unknown Command		2	2			1			1	5
2	WESTERN						2		1		3
16			8	3	1		5		2	4	23

5. PRESENTATION/REPORT-CHIEF OF POLICE

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Special Points of Interest:

- Next meeting:
Thursday, June 5, 2008
@ 3:00 P.M.

Detroit Police Department
1300 Beaubien St.
Detroit, Michigan 48226

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Detroit Police Department

Report to the Board of Police Commissioners

“Building a Safer Detroit Through Community Partnerships”

The Detroit Police Department is committed to uphold its mission to provide a safe environment for our residents and businesses. This effort is not possible without the joint commitment of the community and the Police Department. We appreciate and value the role our citizens have played in helping us to take the guns and drugs off the streets of the city of Detroit.

SPECIAL ENFORCEMENT ACTIONS

Narcotics/Gang Enforcement

During the period of May 19, 2008 through May 25, 2008, **Narcotics/Gang Enforcement executed 41 search warrants and 36 street enforcement actions** within the boundaries of the city of Detroit resulting in the following arrests and confiscations:

- 59 Felony arrests
- 139 Misdemeanor arrests
- 7 Juveniles

Confiscated:

- 133.90 grams of cocaine, 69.6 grams of heroin, 4,780.10 grams of marijuana and 41 pills, with a total street value of \$198,370.40
- **\$ 22,306.00** in U.S. Currency
- 22 Handguns

Domestic Violence

On May 23rd, officers of the Southwestern District responded to a business in the 6000 block of West Warren on a domestic assault, and arrested subject. Subsequent to the investigation conducted by members of Domestic Violence, the subject was charged with “*Assault with Intent to do Great Bodily Harm,*” “*Imprisonment,*” “*Discharge Weapon in a building,*” “*Felonious Assault,*” “*Habitual 3rd Offense,*” “*Felony in Possession,*” and “*Felony Firearm.*”

Engaging the Community

ATTENTION

Citizens wishing to make a police report may do so at the District stations in the city of Detroit. Citizens may also utilize the following District Sub-Stations to make reports.

	<u>Location</u>	<u>Hours of Operation</u>	<u>Telephone</u>
	2151 E. Jefferson	24 Hours	596-6400
	7737 Kercheval	7 a.m. to 3 p.m.	628-2121
	19810 Grand River	10 a.m. to 3 p.m.	935-5322
	13530 Lesure	8 a.m. to 11 p.m.	596-5300
	12000 Livernois	24 Hours	237-2555

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Northeastern District

On May 22nd, officers of the Northeastern District were received information that an armed subject was en-route to the area of Mc Nichols and Van Dyke to commit an assault. Once in the area, the officers observed a subject fire a weapon at an individual. The subject was immediately arrested and charged with "Assault with Intent to Murder," "Felony Firearm," "Felonious Assault," "Carrying a Concealed Weapon on Person," "Felony Possession," and "Habitual 2nd."



Northwestern District

On May 22nd, officers of the Northwestern District responded to a residence in the 20000 block of Chapel to investigate subjects wanted for Armed Robbery. Upon their arrival, the officers observed the subjects exit through windows of the residence and fled on foot. The officers captured all the subjects, who were later charged with "Assault with Intent to do Great Bodily Harm," "Robbery Armed," and "Felonious Assault."



Western District

On May 24th, while on patrol in the area of Seven Mile and Littlefield, officers of the Western District investigated and arrested a subject who they observed to be in possession of a handgun. The subject was charged with "Carrying a Concealed Weapon," and a weapon was confiscated.



Southwestern District

On May 24th, while on patrol in the area of Dagoon and W. Vernor, officers of the Southwestern District observed a passenger of a moving vehicle yelling and made attempts to exit the vehicle. Following a brief pursuit, the driver of the vehicle was arrested and charged with two counts of Felonious Assault, Aggravated Assault with Intent to do Great Bodily Harm, Habitual 4th, Malicious Destruction of Property, and Resisting and Obstructing of a Police Officer



Central District

On May 24th, officers of the Central District responded to Cass Avenue and W. Canfield to investigate a victim of Armed Robbery. The officers searched the area for the perpetrator, whom they located and immediately arrested. The subject was charged with "Armed Robbery."

Chairperson Ramirez stated the Risk Management presentation will be postponed until next week because Comm. Holley is due to return, and he has some interest in the presentation.

6. STANDING COMMITTEE REPORTS

Comm. Okdie stated the Personnel Subcommittee met twice last week to conduct interviews for the position of Supervising Investigator/Attorney. The committee narrowed the field from 17 people to three (3). The final three were George Anthony, Ursula Henry, and Celia Washington.

MOTION: **Comm. Okdie** made the motion to approve the three finalists.

SECOND: **Comm. Griffin** seconded the motion.

VOTE: All in attendance voted in the affirmative.

Comm. Okdie stated yesterday that they conducted the final stage of that process and all three candidates were superb. They felt that the candidate that they were more comfortable with in terms of presentation, performance, and written exercise is Ms. Celia Banks Washington.

MOTION: **Comm. Okdie** made the motion to approve the new hire.

SECOND: **Comm. Griffin** seconded the motion.

VOTE: All in attendance voted in the affirmative.

Comm. Okdie asked Ms. Washington to say a few words.

C. Banks Washington stated she has worked for the City of Detroit Law Department and appreciates the fine job that the women and men in blue do. She is very excited about this appointment and will research the issues and facts and offer a very professional recommendation.

Comm. Okdie thanked all the members who participated in the interview process, Exec Dir. Goss, Denise Hooks, Terence Bell, Lawana Ducker, Comm. Griffin, and Robert Brown. He stated it could not have happened in a short period of time without the support of the staff and the involvement of Comm. Griffin.

Chairperson Ramirez acknowledged the arrival of Comm. Hampton at 3:15 pm.

Comm. Griffin stated that Comm. Okdie did a great job as Chairperson of the interviewing process.

(The selection process notice was opened to the public.)

6. NEW BUSINESS

1. GRANT: REQUEST PERMISSION TO ACCEPT AN INCREASE IN THE MICHIGAN OFFICE OF HIGHWAY SAFETY PLANNING (OHSP), "SAFE COMMUNITIES GRANT"

The "Safe Communities Grant" from the Michigan Office of Highway Safety Planning (OHSP), is a continuation grant presently in the Fiscal Year 2007/2008 budget for \$350,000.00. The appropriation number is 12348. The Michigan Office of Highway Safety Planning awarded an additional \$104,500.00 to the Detroit Police Department, which brings the total award amount to \$454,500.00. There is **no cash match** required by the city of Detroit for this grant program.

I am requesting the Board's permission to accept the grant award increase and to seek approval from the City Council.

MOTION: **Comm. Okdie** made the motion to approve the Grant.

SECOND: **Comm. Hampton** seconded the motion.

VOTE: All in attendance voted in the affirmative.

2. GRANT: REQUEST TO APPLY FOR THE "PAUL COVERDELL FORENSIC SCIENCE IMPROVEMENT GRANT PROGRAM" FROM THE UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE (USDOJ)

The United States Department of Justice, Office of Justice Programs, National Institute of Justice, is seeking applications for funding under the "Paul Coverdell Forensic Science Improvement Grant Program." The Department is eligible to apply for up to \$95,000.00, **with no cash match**. Funding for this program is to improve the quality and timeliness of forensic science, including services provided by laboratories.

The Detroit Police Department's Forensic Services is currently developing a program to fit the guidelines of the grant. Within this grant, permissible expenses include: overtime, adding of contractual staff, purchase of computer hardware and/or software, purchase of laboratory equipment and/or supplies, and training. The **deadline for this application is May 30, 2008**. In the event that approval is granted, 3rd Deputy Chief Paula Lytle, of Forensic Services, would serve as the project director.

Upon your approval, the Detroit City Council will be requested to adopt a resolution supporting this application.

MOTION: **Comm. Okdie** made the motion to approve the Grant.

SECOND: **Comm. Hampton** seconded the motion.

VOTE: All in attendance voted in the affirmative.

8. OLD BUSINESS

Comm. Hampton stated he has read and familiarized himself with the recommended petitions that were presented on May 15, 2008, and May 22, 2008. He concurred with the suspension without pay for, PO Gordon Davis, Badge 530, PO Renny Shelby, Badge 1439, PO Jason Pugh, Badge 385, and PO Kevin Chambers, Badge 85.

Exec Dir. Goss stated unless **contravened** by this Board the suspension without pay shall stand.

There were no contraventions.

9. ANNOUNCEMENT OF NEXT MEETING

Thursday, June 5, 2008, @ 3:00 p.m.
Police Headquarters
1300 Beaubien Rm. 328-A
Detroit, MI 48226

L. Griffin stated the Board Hill host its Town Hall meeting on June 12, 2008, at LA SED Community Center at 7150 West Vernor at 6:30 pm. The purpose of this meeting is to educate and empower citizens to work side-by-side with the Detroit Police Department.

10. ORAL COMMUNICATION FROM THE AUDIENCE

E. Moore stated to the Board and the Chief that Councilman Kenyetta sends his prayers for Comm. Holley and for him to have a speedy recovery.

11. ADJOURNMENT

The meeting was adjourned at 3:24 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

DANTE' L. GOSS
Executive Director
Board of Police Commissioners

DLG/rb